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SUBJ: UN COMMISSION ON STATUS OF WOMEN--REPORT OF WORKING

GROUP ON DRAFT INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENT

REF: USUN 121

PASS JUSTICE FOR MARY EASTWOOD

1. SUMMARY: WORKING GROUP (WG) ON DRAFT CONVENTION MET TWICE THURSDAY, JAN 17 AND APPROVED DRAFT REPORT (E/CN.6/AC.1/L.12) TO THE COMMISSION BY CONSENSUS AT SECOND MEETING. END SUMMARY

2. DURING WEEK USSR DEL LOBBIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO CONVINCE US DEL AND OTHERS TO AGREE TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE IN THE DRAFT REPORT WHICH WOULD CHARACTERIZE THE PHILIPPINE/USSR TEXTS, USED BY WG AS WORKING PAPER, AS ESSENTIALLY AGREED TEXTS OF THE WG, WHILE ALL OTHER AMENDMENTS, ALTERNATIVE TEXTS AND SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE CHARACTERIZED AS MINORITY VIEWS.

3. WHEN WG CONVENED JAN JKTN USSR DEL MADE A GENERAL INTERVENTION ALONG THOSE LINES. USSR DEL SUGGESTED, INTER ALIA, THAT THEIR (PHILLIPINE/USSR) TEXT BE LABELED "BASIC TEXT" AND ALL OTHER TEXTS BE LABELLED "AMENDMENTS" RATHER THAN "ALTERNATIVE TEXTS." US UNCLASSIFIED

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DEL AND UK DEL OBJECTED SAYING A) THIS WAS INACCURATE REPRES-

TATIONS OF WHAT HAD TRANSPRIRED IN WG; B) IN WG ALL TEXTS FOR ANY ONE ARTICLE WERE ON EQUAL PLANE SINCE WG NEVER RESORTED TO A VOTE; AND C) AT LAST SUBSTANTIVE MEETING (JAN 11) OF WG, WG DECIDED ALL TEXTS WOULD BE TREATED EQUALLY AND THEIR SPONSORS WOULD NOT BE NAMED.

4. MORNING SESSION ADJOURNED BY CHAIR WITHOUT FINAL DECISION IN ORDER TO PERMIT FULL WG TO MEET AND TIME FOR CORRIDOR CONSULTATION OF OTHER WG MEMBERS AND WG CHAIRMAN.

5. AFTERNOON MEETING OPENED WITH RAPPROTEUR (EGYPT) OFFERING A COMPROMISE CONVEYED TO HERE BY USSR DEL. THAT DEALT BASICALLY WITH PARAS 22, 23, AND 26 OF DRAFT REPORT (E/CN.6/AC.1/L.12), PAGE 5. USSR DEL PROPOSED A) ADDITION TO END OF PARA 22 OF A PHRASE TO THE EFFECT THAT PHILIPPINE/USSR TEXT WAS USED AS WORKING PAPER OF WG; B) ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE TO PARA 23: "SOME OF THESE WERE INCORPORATED IN ARTICLES AND THE REST ARE PRESENTED IN THE REPORT AS ALTERNATIVE TEXTS:"; AND C) DELETION IN PARA 26 OF ALL WORDS AFTER "ARTICLE."

6. FOR THE SAKE OF CLARITY, US DEL THEN PROPOSED ADDITION OF A NEW SENTENCE TO END OF REVISED PARA 26 AS FOLLOWS: "WHERE ALTERNATIVE TEXTS APPEAR, THE WG WAS UNABLE TO REACH A CONSENSUS ON THE ARTICLE."

7. USSR PROPOSAL WITH US ADDITION WAS ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER DRAFT REPORT PUSHED THROUGH BY THE CHWIR.

8. IT WAS CLEAR TO US DEL, AND OTHERS THROUGHOUT WG MEETINGS, THAT USSR DEL, INSPIRE OF CLEAR WG VIEW TO THE CONTRARY, WAS ATTEMPTING TO RAILROAD WG INTO ACCEPTING MOST OF ORIGINAL USSR DRAFT AS THE "PREFERRED" TEXT OF THE WG. THUS, WHEN INTRODUCED TO THE COMMISSION, THE USSR TEXT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO MORE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION. US DEL STRENUOUSLY OPPOSED THIS BECAUSE USSR TEXT WAS NOT PREFERRED AND IT CONTINUES TO CAUSE US MUCH DIFFICULTY. IN THE FACE OF FIRM US, UK OPPOSITION AND LITTLE SUPPORT FROM REST OF WG, SOVIETS WITHDREW PROPOSALS.

9. INFORMALLY, SECT HAS INFORMED US DEL THAT IT SHOULD BE ABLE TO RESPRODUCE THE APPROVED WG DRAFT REPORT EITHER BY FRIDAY UNCLASSIFIED

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AFTERNOON JAN 18 OR FOLLOWING MONDAY MORNING. COMMISSION SHOULD BE ABLE TO BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM NEXT WEEK, EITHER MONDAY JAN 21 OR TUESDAY JAN 22.

10. REQUEST COMMENT ON TEXT DATAFAXED JAN 16 AND HANDCARRIED TO IO BY PHILANDER CLAXTON AT OPENING OF BUSINESS JAN 17.

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